



2006 Annual Meeting Program Committee

Continuing Education

Declaration of Speaker Financial Interests or Relationships

Saturday, 6 May 2006

MR Physics for Physicists - Day 1

08:30 to 18:00 ~ Room 6E

Origins of the Equations of Magnetization Dynamics
Numerical Implementation of the Bloch Equation to Simulate Magnetization Dynamics and Imaging
Alternate Mechanisms for Spin Polarization
Imaging Strategies for Hyperpolarized Elements and Molecules
Contrast Mechanisms in Molecular Imaging - **No Syllabus Contribution Available**
Quantum Mechanical and Semi-Classical Theory of Relaxation
Relaxation and Contrast Mechanisms in Living Tissue
Fast SE/TSE/RARE, Refocusing with Low Flip Angle Pulses
Fast Gradient Echo Including SSFP
Pulse Sequence Design for EPI and Non-Cartesian Sampling
Limits of SNR and Practical Consequences

Michael H. Buonocore
Hugues Benoit-Cattin
Bastiaan Driehuys
John P. Mugler, III
Robert N. Muller
Valerij G. Kiselev
Greg Stanisz
Klaus Scheffler
Brian A. Hargreaves
Craig H. Meyer
Klaas Pruessmann

Quantitative Image and Data Analysis - Day 1

09:00 to 17:40 ~ Room 613-614

Introduction to Quantitative Analysis
Mapping of Quantitative MR Parameters
Statistical Analysis of Quantitative MR Data: Basic Methods
Artifacts, Noise, Filtering and Compensation Techniques
Image Registration and Motion Correction
Feature Extraction, Shape Fitting, and Image Segmentation
Quantitative Morphology: Volumes, Shapes, and Voxel-Based Measures
Motion Estimation, Modeling, and Compensation
Bulk Flow Measurements and Angiography

Paul S. Tofts
Gareth J. Barker
John Petkau
Geoffrey J. M. Parker
Mark Jenkinson
William R. Crum
Jean-Francois Mangin
Elliot R. McVeigh
Dennis L. Parker

Advanced Body Imaging

08:30 to 18:15 ~ Room 6D

Approach to Diagnosis of the Difficult Liver Lesion with MRI
Liver Specific Contrast Agents: An Update
Assessing Tumor Response in Liver Therapy
Pancreas: From Structure to Function
MRCP and MRI in the Evaluation of Bile Duct Obstruction
MRI of Ano-Rectal Diseases
MRI of Prostate Cancer: Diagnosis, Staging, and Treatment

Richard C. Semelka
Günther K. Schneider
Ihab Kamel
Koenraad Mortelet
Caroline Reinhold
Jaap Stoker
Clare Tempany

The Role of MRI in Evaluating Benign Uterine Disease
 Diagnosing, Staging and Stratifying Patients with Malignant Uterine Disease
 Characterizing Adnexal Masses: Pearls and Pitfalls
 Optimizing Your Breast MRI Technique
 MRI Criteria to Diagnose Breast Cancer
 MRI Screening of High Risk Women
 MR Guided Breast Interventions

Deborah Levine
 Hedvig Hricak
 Evan S. Siegelman
 Nola Hylton
 Christiane K. Kuhl
 Constance D. Lehman
 Elizabeth A. Morris

Clinical MRI: From Physical Principles to Practical Protocols

08:00 to 17:45 ~ Room 615-617

Overview of MR Physics
 Musculoskeletal MR Principles (Spin-Echo, FSE, Gradient Echo)
 Musculoskeletal MR Practical Protocols
 Body MR Principles (STIR, Gradient Echo, Fast Imaging Tricks)
 Body Protocols
 Vascular MR Principles (TOF, 3D GRE)
 Vascular Protocols
 Neuro MR Principles (FLAIR, EPI-Perfusion, Diffusion)
 Neuro Protocols
 Cardiac MR Principles (Gating, True FISP, Phase Contrast)
 Cardiac Protocols

Norbert J. Pelc
 Brian A. Hargreaves
 Timothy J. Mosher
 Martin J. Graves
 David J. Lomas
 Frank R. Korosec
 James F. M. Meaney
 Timothy P.L. Roberts
 David J. Mikulis
 Christine H. Lorenz
 Vivian S. Lee

Diffusion and Perfusion Methodology

08:30 to 18:15 ~ Room 6C

Theory of Diffusion
 Biophysical Underpinnings of Diffusion
 Tensor Encoding / Decoding
 Sequences for Diffusion MRI
 Artifacts and Pitfalls in Diffusion MRI - **No Syllabus Contribution Available**
 DSI/ Qball/ GDTI and Tractography
 Theory of Perfusion Measurements
 DSC Perfusion (with Pitfalls)
 ASL Perfusion - Pulsed/Continuous
 New Ideas in Perfusion
 Exchange
 Clinical Applications of Diffusion/Perfusion MRI: A Review

Peter J. Basser
 Christian Beaulieu
 Derek K. Jones
 James G. Pipe
 Carlo Pierpaoli
 Andrew L. Alexander
 Leif Østergaard
 Fernando Calamante
 Afonso C. Silva
 Xavier G. Golay
 Greg J. Stanisz
 Jeffry R. Alger

Molecular Imaging

08:00 to 17:50 ~ Room 602-604

Introduction
 Imaging Technologies I: Physical Principles, Technical Issues
 Imaging Technologies II: Comparison of Techniques, Strengths/Weaknesses, Fusion
 Combined Technologies: MRI/PET, PET/CT, MRI/Optical – Instrumental Aspects - **No Syllabus Contribution Available**
 Concepts of Probe Design I: Physical Principles of Reporter Moieties
 Concepts of Probe Design II. Design of Target-Specific Probes
 Combined Technologies: Multimodal Probes
 Non-Invasive Imaging of Cell Signaling
 Imaging the Function of Gene Products
 Monitoring Cell Migration

Markus Rudin
 G. Allan Johnson
 Umar Mahmood
 Arion Chatziioannou
 Silvio Aime
 Klaas Nicolay
 Natarajan Raghunand
 Alnawaz Rehemtulla
 Gary Luker
 Jeff W .M. Bulte

Molecular Imaging in Drug Research
Molecular Imaging and Atherosclerosis
Molecular Imaging in Experimental Therapeutics of Cancer

Nick Van Bruggen
Zahi A. Fayad
Brian D. Ross

MR Spectroscopy in Clinical Practice

08:30 to 18:00 ~ Room 611-612

Basics of MR Spectroscopy for the Practicing Clinician
1D, 2D and 3D Localization Techniques and Shimming
Data Processing and Interpretation
1D and 2D Quantification Methods
Quality Assurance and Artifacts
Clinical Potential of C- and P-MRS
MRS in Congenital Metabolic Disorders
MRS in Pediatric Tumors
MRS in Perinatal Asphyxia
MRS, MRI & fMRI in Epilepsy Surgery
MRS in Therapy Planning and Follow-up of Adult Brain Tumors
MRS in Stroke, MS and Infectious Diseases
MRS in Neurodegenerative Diseases
MRS in Psychiatric Diseases
P31-MRS of Muscle Diseases
MRS of Prostate Diseases

Jeffrey R. Alger
Markus von Kienlin
Thomas Ernst
Mary A. McLean
Roland Kreis
Stefan Bluml
Kim Cecil
Soonmee Cha
Daniel B. Vigneron
Francois Lazeyras
Alberto Bizzi
Peter B. Barker
Adam D. Waldman
Perry F. Renshaw
Patrick J. Cozzone
Rao P. Gullapalli

RF Systems Engineering

08:30 to 18:15 ~ Room 618-620

Overview of Signal Detection and the RF Chain
Principles and Modeling of the Signal Detection by a Coil
Introduction to the World of RF; Transmission Lines, Impedance Transformers, and RF Components
RF Measurements: the Network Analyzer and Smith Chart
Preamp Design and Characterization
T/R Switches, Baluns, Traps, and Active Detuning Elements
Volume Coil Types and Design Principles
Array Coil Types and Design Principles
Modeling the EM Wave Interaction with the Body and SAR
Transmit SENSE Coil

Arne Reykowski
William A. Edelstein
Patrick J. Ledden
Ed B. Boskamp
George R. Duensing
Xiaoyu Yang
Cecil E. Hayes
Hiroyuki Fujita
Tamer S. Ibrahim
Mark A. Griswold

Sunday, 7 May 2006

MR Physics for Physicists - Day 2

08:30 to 18:00 ~ Room 6E

MR Elastography
Velocity Encoding and Flow Imaging
Gridding for Non-Cartesian K-Space Sampling
Reconstruction for Multi-Coil Acquisition
Generalized Spatial and Temporal Interpolation, Limited Data Reconstruction
Overview of the Technical Challenges
Optimized Pulse Sequences at High Field
Principles of Parallel Transmission
Physical Principles for the Assessment of MRI Safety at High Field

Ralph Sinkus
Michael Markl
James G. Pipe
David J. Larkman
Bruno Madore
Paul R. Harvey
Oliver Speck
Peter Börner
Hans Engels

Quantitative Image and Data Analysis - Day 2

09:00 to 17:40 ~ Room 613-614

Perfusion/Permeability 1: Tracer Kinetic Modeling Using Contrast Agents
fMRI Modeling and Analysis
Perfusion/Permeability 2: Modeling of Arterial Spin Labeling Signals
Spectroscopy Modeling and Analysis
Elastography Modeling and Analysis
Data Presentation and Interpretation: Rendering, Data Fusion, and Surgical Planning
Quantitative Data in Clinical Practice - **No Syllabus Contribution Available**

David L. Buckley
Mark Woolrich
David Alsop
Else R. Danielsen
Armando Manduca
Derek L. G. Hill
A. Gregory Sorensen

Experimental Methods in MR of Cancer

08:30 to 17:15 ~ Room 6C

Evaluating Pathways, Inhibition and Regulation Using MRS
Choline Metabolism: Meaning and Significance
Clinical Applications of Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy
Measuring Vascular Properties Using Contrast Agents
Tracer Kinetic Models: Extracting Physiological Vascular Information
Measuring Vascular Properties Using Intrinsic Contrast Mechanisms (inc BOLD)
Hypoxia and Its Assessment
Clinical Applications of MR Methods that Assess Tumor Vascular Functionality
Associating MR Findings with MR Gene and Protein Expression
Diagnosis of Cancer Using MAS
Apoptosis: MR Consequences
Diffusion MRI: A Biomarker for Cancer Treatment Response

Sabrina M. Ronen
Hadassa Degani
Arend Heerschap
Martin O. Leach
David L. Buckley
Gregory S. Karczmar
Ralph P. Mason
Anwar Padhani
Samira Guccione
Ingrid S. Gribbestad
Risto A. Kauppinen
Brian D. Ross

Multi-Modal fMRI: Physiology, Acquisition, and Analysis

08:30 to 18:15 ~ Room 611-612

Brain Oscillations and Neural Networks
Physiology, Hemodynamics, and BOLD Signals
fMRI Paradigm Design
Pre-processing of BOLD fMRI Data
General Linear Model for BOLD fMRI Analysis
Independent Component Analysis of BOLD fMRI Data
Diffusion Tensor Imaging: Acquisition and Processing
DTI/fMRI: Integration/Synergy
Low-Frequency BOLD Fluctuations and Brain Functional Connectivity
Perfusion-Based fMRI
Blood-Volume-Based fMRI

Arno Villringer
Risto A. Kauppinen
Nick F. Ramsey
Mark Jenkinson
Robert W. Cox
Vince D. Calhoun
Susumu M. Mori
Dae-Shik Kim
Vesa J. Kiviniemi
Thomas T. Liu
Hanzhang Lu

Demystifying Biomedical MR Spectroscopy: Challenges, Advanced Concepts, and Applications

08:00 to 15:15 ~ Room 615-617

The Art of RF Pulse Design for MRS
Spectral Editing - Uncovering Hidden Metabolites
What is the "Hype" in Hyperpolarization?
New Approaches to Spectral Processing and Quantification
Ex Vivo Spectroscopy - Linking the Benchtop to the Clinic
Multi-nuclear MRS of Metabolic Dynamics in the Brain
New Approaches to MRS of Cerebral Disorders
Spectroscopic Window on Tumor Metabolism

John Pauly
Ralph E. Hurd
Jan Wolber
Sarah J. Nelson
John R. Griffiths
Rolf Gruetter
Stefan Bluml
Michael Garwood

Musculoskeletal Imaging**08:00 to 17:25 ~ Room 618-620**

Shoulder MR Update
 MRI of the Elbow
 MRI of Muscle Injury
 MRI of the Wrist and Hand
 Knee MR Update
 MRI of the Ankle
 MRI of the Hip
 Bone Marrow Imaging
 MRI of Soft Tissue Pseudotumors

Christian W. Pfirrmann
 Russell C. Fritz
 Robert D. Boutin
 William B. Morrison
 Doug P. Beall
 Mark Collins
 Doris E. Wenger
 Thomas M. Link
 Suzanne E. Anderson

Advanced Brain MR Imaging**08:30 to 17:45 ~ Room 602-604**

Protocol Update: Stroke, Tumors, Epilepsy and MS - **No Syllabus Contribution Available**
 High-Resolution Cortical Imaging
 Parallel Imaging: Concepts and Applications
 Brain Imaging at 3T and Challenges at 7T
 Measuring Brain Volume Changes: the Tools
 Volumetrics of Brain Development
 Volumetrics of MS and Aging
 DSC Perfusion: Concepts and Applications
 ASL Perfusion: Concepts and Applications
 DTI: Concepts, Quantification and Quality Issues
 DTI of Brain Development
 Fiber Tracking: Concepts and Applications
 Data Analysis, Reproducibility and Reliability, Pitfalls
 Clinical Applications: Surgical Planning in Tumors
 Clinical Applications: Neurodegenerative Disorders and MS

Norman J. Beauchamp
 Alexander J.S. de Crespigny
 Lawrence L. Wald
 Kamil Ugurbil
 Stephen M. Smith
 Rhoshel K. Lenroot
 Nicola De Stefano
 Fernando Calamante
 David Alsop
 Derek K. Jones
 Petra Hüppi
 Aaron S. Field
 Peter Jezzard
 Alberto Bizzi
 Micheal D. Phillips

Cardiac MRI**07:30 to 17:15 ~ Room 6D**

Imaging of Coronary Artery Disease with MRI/MRA
 Ischemia Detection Using Perfusion, BOLD, etc.
 Ischemia Detection Using Wall Motion, Strain, etc. - **Late addition to program/No syllabus contribution available**
 Myocardial Viability: DE-MRI and LD-Dob
 MESA
 ICELAND MI: An Epidemiology Study of Unrecognized Myocardial Infarction - **No Syllabus Contribution Available**
 MR-IMPACT (Perfusion)
 Controversies and Approaches to Stem Cell Revascularization - **Late addition to faculty/No syllabus contribution available**
 Evaluation (Function, Ischemia) of Stem Cell Therapy Patients
 Stem Cell Labeling, Tracking, and Delivery in Cardiovascular Disease
 Stem Cell Therapy in Acute Myocardial Infarction
 Cardiac Imaging: 1.5T vs 3.0T – Where's the Benefit?
 Interventional CMR
 Cardiac Intervention

David A. Bluemke
 Frederick H. Epstein
 Raja Muthupillai
 Scott D. Flamm
 Joao A.C. Lima
 Andrew E. Arai
 Juerg Schwitler
 Guilherme Silva
 Michael Jerosch-Herold
 Dara L. Kraitchman
 Albert C. Lardo
 Orlando P. Simonetti
 Elliot R. McVeigh
 Walter J. Rogers